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Re: Filing of New U.S. Utility Patent Application  
Title: **System and Method of Protecting Privacy**  
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Dear Sir:

Attached is a new patent application for filing in the United States Patent and Trademark Office including twelve (12) pages of Specification, eight (8) pages of Claims (numbered 1-36), one (1) page Abstract, three (3) sheets of Drawings (labeled Figs. 1-7), an executed Joint Declaration and an Verified Statement (Declaration) Claiming Small Entity Status.

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